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The COMMENT



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BRIDGEWATER STATE COLLEGE

The 'Company' , Day Care Center Loanshark A Reality

In this vast country of economic prosperity I continue to ask myself if loansharking is a reality and if so why does it persist. For those naive readers that believe that everything is legal and honest allow me to enlighten you as to the characteristics of loansharking.

First of all it is a big business surviving off "VIG's" (an item I'll explain later) and supported by those people who at one time or another were in need of some fast money. It is in many of our cities and towns and growing geometrically. The main idea is to have a person, who needs some quick money take a loan at a 5% interest rate per week. Many contacts can be made through a local "bllkie" or a friend who has done business with this company before. The idea is that the money borrowed must be paid back in a lump sum and the interest or VIG must be paid weekly.

If a person borrows \$1000.00, his VIG is \$50.00 a week. This amount is not subtracted from the original loan. The company that loans the \$1000.00 is not really interested in the original investment. They are concerned with the VIG. A loan of \$1000 kept for a period of 10 weeks will cost the borrower \$1500 to pay it back. The ideal situation for a

company is to loan out \$20,000. They try to keep this amount "on the market" (so to speak). This will bring in an income of \$1,000 per week. As a company grows the number of agents increase. Can you see a company with 25 agents keeping \$20,000 per agent on the market.

The companies have grown to such enormous proportions that they have their own offices (run under fictitious names), have their own collection agency, and hire their own bookkeepers. Police protection or non-interference is usually accomplished easily enough.

Any gangster movie from the 40's will display this and it is still in existence. The strongarms are still there and although their methods have become more sophisticated, still are capable of retrieving VIG's from people who miss a VIG. Although bodies are no longer found floating in a river or stashed in an abandoned car the VIG's are still collected.

Why is a company such as this allowed to survive and operate? The same reason some students get jobs and others don't. Favors, payoffs, contacts, and the lack of awareness on the part of individuals.

The Bridgewater State College Day Care Center is scheduled to open for the beginning of next semester. It is hoped it will be open by registration day, but by the opening of classes it will open definitely.

The Center, which will be located on the ground floor of Pope Hall, will be able to accommodate 30-40 children. Their ages will range from 2 1/2 to 6 years.

It will be staffed by both professionals and paraprofessionals. The Center will begin with a director teacher and one full time teacher. They are planning to have a ratio of 5 children to every adult. They hope to achieve this with volunteer help. The Center is also trying to get for the future academic credit for certain work in the center.

The Center will be open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 5:00p.m. throughout the academic year. The Center will provide the same health service the college uses. Interstate United will provide the food service.

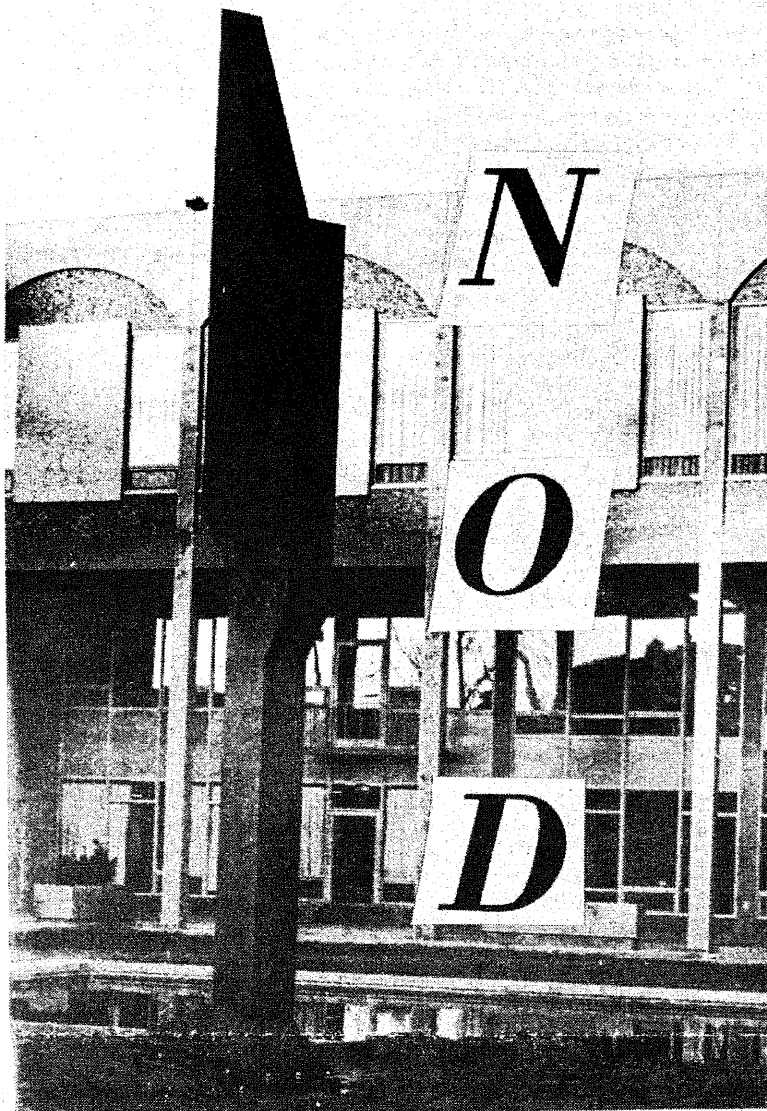
The initial cost to open the Center is \$2,180.00. The operating cost will be \$7,170.00. The Center has already collected:

United Ministry Board	\$ 25.00
S.N.E.A.	75.00
Aquabrytes	50.00
Afro-American Society	100.00
Forensic Society	100.00
Sociology Club	100.00
Photography Club	200.00
Buddy Club	10.00
Biology Club	25.00
E.A.O.	25.00
International Relation	25.00
Class of '75	50.00
Great Hill Momen	100.00
Earth Sciences & Geo	25.00
S.U. Board of Governors	500.00
S.G.A. Senate	4000.00
Le Cercle Francais	10.00
Conceit	25.00
Steve Andrews	1.00
Year book (bridges)	150.00
Tillinghurst	50.00
Total Collected	\$5,646.00

It is hoped more will donate some funds to the center. The rest of the money will come from small fees (\$5-15 sliding scale on average weekly income) and from fund raising events.

If your club, organization, or dorm hasn't donated to the Center, get them to donate some money now!!! The Day Care Center is the best thing to come to this campus in a long time. Show your support.

If you have any questions about the Center contact Kevin Preston in the SGA Office on the second floor of the Student Union building.



BSC Honored by Brazilian Educator

On Monday, December 11, in the Formal Dining Room of the Student Union, President Rondileau had a reception for Col. and Mrs. Rodrigues who came to see many colleges and universities in America from Brazil. Col. Mauro Costa Rodrigues is the Secretary of Education there.

In his work Col. Rodrigues is more concerned with the overall relations and problems of a policy making administrator than with the details of any one educational specialty. The students for which he has responsibility are largely in the six to eighteen year old age bracket (although he also has some interest in the pre-school group). While in the United States he has requested to visit schools, including rural institutions, to observe such aspects as administration, controls, budgeting, transportation, and the use of audio-visual equipment of all kinds. The relationship and standards of and between federal, state, county, municipal and other local schools and school systems will be of interest - including both public and private institutions and community participation in schools. Educational television programming, financing, controls

and the prevention of overlapping services will be noteworthy. Col. Rodrigues also desires to observe teacher training activities. It should be useful for him to know something of our vocational and junior/community college programs. He further desires to visit Indiana, which is the "sister state" to Rio Grande do Sul, (the city from which he comes) and to meet some personal contacts, such as Professor Walter Adamson of Bridgewater State College.

Col. Rodrigues is accompanied by his wife, Therezinha F. Rodrigues. There are no beverage or dietetic restrictions. He has some English. Neither, however, has sufficient English for independent travel and programming, so an experienced escort-interpreter, John M. Falcao, has been assigned. Because of the language problem they will not be as interested in attending here such things as the theatre, as would be the case in Brazil. Col. Rodrigues likes sports. He enjoys his farm on which he has cattle, rice and soybeans as his main output. Mrs. Rodrigues' interests include working for a social work coordinating council concerned with rest homes for children, orphans, and aged.

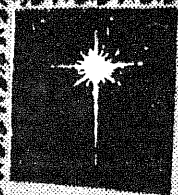
Collective Bargaining At BSC?

An Ad Hoc Committee to stimulate support for collective bargaining at Bridgewater State has been formed by John Kent, who serves as Chairman and Elizabeth Hollis, who serves as Secretary. Other members of the Ad Hoc Committee are Achille Joyal, Elizabeth Cirino, and Joseph Giannini.

A former assistant professor at Rutgers University, Robreno has been a labor relations consultant for the New Jersey Department of Education and the United States Department of Labor. He joined MTA in 1971 during the organization's expansion program.

A campaign to bring faculty collective bargaining to Bridgewater State College has been launched by the Massachusetts Teachers Association (MTA), according to an announcement made today by Eduardo C. Robreno, MTA Field Representative for Higher Education.

Many state and community college faculties in Massachusetts now engage in collective bargaining activity including Fitchburg, Salem and North Adams, all represented by the MTA which is the largest professional organization in the Commonwealth.



Merry Christmas

from

the COMMENT

THE CLARENCE C. MAXWELL LIBRARY
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BRIDGEWATER, MASSACHUSETTS

ONE SOLITARY LIFE

Here is a young man who was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman.

He grew up in another village. He worked in a carpenter shop until he was thirty, and then for three years he was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never owned a home. He never had a family. He never went to a college. He never put his foot inside a big city. He never traveled 200 miles from the place where he was born. He never did one of the things that usually accompany greatness. He has no credentials but himself.

While he was still a young man, the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends ran away. He was turned over to his enemies. He went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While he was

dying, his executioners gambled for the only piece of property he had on earth, and that was his coat.

When he was dead, he was laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.

Nineteen centuries wide have come and gone, and today he is the central figure of the human race and the leader of the column of progress.

I am far within the mark when I say that all the armies that ever marched and all the navies that ever sailed, and all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man upon this earth as has that ONE SOLITARY LIFE.

A Joyous Holiday Season To All!
From The Staff And Management
Of GRANTS - Bridgewater

Class Cancellation

If cancellation of classes is necessary for snow the notice of cancellation will be carried on the following radio stations:

WBET Brockton
WBSM New Bedford
WBZ Boston
WEEI Boston
WOKW Brockton
WPEP Taunton
WOKW Weather Phone of

Cancellation notices should be on the stations by 6:30 A.M. but, since these stations are usually flooded with cancellation calls, we may not be able to reach all of them by that time. I would advise listening to more than one station. Please DO NOT call the radio stations but rather listen to the radio announcements.

As Christmas is the time for giving, we felt that we should not forget our illustrious faculty and administration. Here then is our Christmas gift list:

Murray Abramson - a set of counting blocks
Edward A. Braun - a long haired wig
Wilmon B. Chipman - a picture scrapbook of all his goals over the past two years (Both of 'em)
Harold F. DeLisle - a stocking full of cool sayings
Richard Enright - a complete set of rocks
John Heller - a complete set of four different colored cans of play-doh
Richard Freeman - a tour of the stock market
Thomas Lee - an exposed roll of instamatic film

Peter Mazzaferro - a freshman application from a 285 pound sprinter who wants to play football here
Edward Swenson - a blueprint of the new BSC sports complex
Joe Yeskewicz - a big splash
Dean Deep - a week's pass to park in the Sr. parking lot (good only during Xmas holidays)
Mrs. Fisher - a Polish flag
Tom Walsh - a book entitled "Courses No One Knew About"
Kevin Preston - a book entitled "The Divine Riggth of Kings" written by Jim Stetson and Joel Weisman and a McGovern bumper sticker
Jim Foley - a year's subscription to the "Comment"
Prof. Calderon - a wrist watch
Louis Schippers - some London fog

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

All I want for Xmas is to see Kevin Preston get all the toys he has asked for, especially the red throne for the SGA chambers. He has been a good boy all year and has not been fresh at all. He hasn't even tried to use the SGA for personal gains. Please Santa, give Kevin everything he asked for for Christmas.

Thank you

Dear Santa, Please check your list from last year. You forgot to give me my complete and competent staff for my newspaper. Please don't forget it this year.

Thank you

Linda Lapierre

Dear Linda,

Ask Foley. He didn't get one either.

Santa

Dear Santa,

This year for Xmas can we have real bullets and real night sticks instead of greenie-stick-em caps and majorette batons like last year.

Thank you
Campus Police

P. S.

Sorry about the parking ticket last year, I didn't recognize the sled.

Dear Campus Pigs,

You are getting all new uniforms and equipment, including nine new cars, just to show there are no hard feelings.

Santa

P.S.

I'm sending them all C. O. D.

Thomas Watson - a library card
Clifford Wood - a night out with Don Rickles
Shirley Wood - a pewter statue of Dr. Wood slightly tarnished
Chester Wood - a spare part
Dr. Chisolm - a retarded rat
Mary Horsely - a return visit from Sander Vanocouer
Mr. Meany - the Rathskeller
Mr. Vino - a set of monkey bars that cost \$1400.00
George Ryer - a transfer to Mass. Maritime
Cafeteria Workers - a clean table
Campus Police a parking ticket and a portable "no parking" sign
Prof. Nadal - a wastebasket for library room 1
Prof. Wolpert - an inflatable Student Union Ballroom
WBIM - a Joe Costa record - put it on and it doesn't do anything
Dave Morwick - a set of training wheels for his skates
to all those not mentioned - a very MERRY CHRISTMAS !!!!

Movies

MISTER ROBERTS

Continuous showing 10 AM - 5 PM Movies
Fri. Dec. 15th Double Feature FREE

THE POINT: An enchanting fantasy of ageless import, THE POINT mostly points out the pointlessness of ignorance, hypocrisy and prejudice, while telling the charming tale of a young boy named Oblio. Songs composed and performed by Harry Nelson.

Plus:

Mister Roberts starring Jack Lemmon and Henry Fonda.
Sun. Dec. 17 7:30 50¢ Aud.

OTHELLO: A film performance of what has been called Shakespeare's most perfect play. Laurence Olivier and other dedicated performers (Maggie Smith as Desdemona, Frank Finlay as Lago and Joyce Redman as Emilia) have created their own kind of perfection on film.

Thurs. Dec. 21

Continuous showing Double Feature FREE

TWISTED NERVE: A genetic defect is the fatal flaw for Martin, a schizophrenic with definite homicidal tendencies. Hywel Bennet is Master in this English suspense thriller. But Martin is also T. Georgie, the alter ego, under which he takes a room in a boarding housing where Susan (Hayley Mills) lives with her parents.
LUV: starring Jack Lemmon, Peter Falk, Elaine May.

Letters

On Dec. 20th the 39 month imprisonment of Phil Berrigan at the Danbury Prison in Conn. for pouring blood on draft files will end at 8:15 A.M. Since that is the time when dangerous fellows get their walking papers. A program for that morning complete with bread and wine, a liturgy and celebration of resistance, singing a lot of love and good feeling has been planned. Information concerning other political prisoners in Vietnam and America will be shared. Housing will be available by calling 203-755-1427.

Due to the efforts to free Phil Berrigan the funds of the organization responsible for coordinating his release Prisoners Strike for Peace 156 Fan Ave., Rm. 438, N.Y. 10010 are very low. A donation by you will enable them to continue to aid political prisoners of this country. For further information contact us at 212-924-4831 or in Conn. 203-757-8651.

Thank you. Michael Morris

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE PEOPLE WHO USHERED FOR AMERICA. I certainly appreciate it.
Gratefully,
Heather MacKenzie

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Byrds	1	0	1.000
Hamsters	1	0	1.000
The Nude Sons	0	1	.000
Brothers	0	1	.000
Fencers	0	1	.000

CONTINENTAL DIVISION			
NAME	W	L	PCT.
Sons of Italy	1	0	1.000
B.F.'s	1	0	1.000
Ragmen	1	0	1.000
Spas	0	1	.000
Magilla	0	1	.000
Bunties	0	1	.000

NATIONAL LEAGUE

CENTRAL DIVISION			
NAME	W	L	PCT.
Sons of Italy			
"A"	2	0	1.000
The Jocks	1	0	1.000
Chiefs	1	0	1.000
The Johnny Walkers	0	1	.000
Flying Smucks	0	1	.000
Studds	0	2	.000

CAPITAL DIVISION			
NAME	W	L	PCT.
Alpha Wild Pigs	2		1.000
Smoffs	1		1.000
Ragmen II	1	1	.5000
Pikuls Pub	0	1	.000
Profs	0	1	.000
Newport Club		1	.000

SCORES
Dec. 4- Byrds 1 - Brothers 0 (forfeit)
Dec. 6- Chiefs 71 - Studds 45
Dec. 7- Huskies 59 - Fencers 50
Dec. 11- Alpha Wild Pigs 53 - Ragmen II 34
B.F.'s 66 - Bunties 61
Sons of Italy "A" 1 - Studds 0
Ragmen 1 - Magills 0 (forfeit)
Alpha Wild Pigs 72 - Newport Club 60

Women's Volleyball Team Ends Winning Season

The WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM ended their season last Thursday night on a victorious note; in a double win over Northeastern University of Boston. The Junior Varsity took the first match of the evening easily taking N. U. 15-8, 15-7. The Varsity then took over and won it all in the first two games likewise; 17-15, 15-11. Consistent serving and good team play were the key factors in both wins.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, the Bridgewater teams hosted a volleyball play day with teams from Boston State, University of New Hampshire, and Springfield

College being invited to play. Experiencing the expertise play of the Springfield College team, contrasted with the high-spirited indomitable home crew. The day proved to be most enjoyable for all those who attended.

Finishing the season with an over all team record of 6-4, and two of the losses being very close-going into 3 games of a match, the Bridgewater girls are hoping to be selected to play in a Regional Collegiate Tournament to be played at University of Rhode Island on January 11, 12, 13. Coach Lynne Yeamans seems to think that the chances are pretty

good, and B.S.C. will be taken into consideration and invited to play in the Tournament.

Following the Finalmatch, Co-capt. Lorraine Canty (Sr.) and Sue Katchapole (Jr.) were elected at the teams Most Valuable Players for the 72-73 Volleyball Season.

The members of the teams would also like to convey their many thanks to the coach, Lynne Yeamans, and managers Mary Brown and Joyce Domingos, who gave of their time and efforts in making this a most rewarding season. GO BRIDGEWATER!

BSC Mermen Sink Lowell

Lowell. The Bridgewater State College Varsity swim team captured their fourteenth consecutive dual meet victory at the expense of a very determined Lowell Tech squad. This victory is the third this season for the BSC mermen.

The Bears captured ten of thirteen events, with Bob Johnston winning the 1,000 yard free (11:52.1) and 500 freestyle (5:41.5), Barry Parenteau winning the 50 free (:23.2) and 100 free (:52.5), and Dan Beauregard winning both diving events.

Mel Crotty of BSC captured the 200 butterfly (2:19.9), and Dan A Brackett, undefeated in three starts, captured the 200 Breaststroke (2:35.4), and Bill Fletcher won the 200 backstroke, earning his first collegiate victory, turning in a 2:24.9.

The Bears travelled to Lowell with a light squad and many events were hotly contested by the LTI swimmers.

1'000-yard freestyle:	Bob Johnston	1st:	BSC
Winning time: 11:52.1	Goodrich	2nd:	LTI
	Sewel	3rd:	LTI
	Bob Sullivan	4th:	BSC

200-yard freestyle:	Al Germaine	1st:	BSC
Winning time: 2:04.8	Steve Cronholm	2nd:	LTI
	Bill Fletcher	3rd:	BSC
	John Trejo	4th:	LTI

50-yard freestyle:	Barry Parenteau	1st:	BSC
Winning time: :23.2	Mike Kotzen	2nd:	LTI
	Jay Doyle	3rd:	BSC
	George Fyrer	4th:	LTI

200-yard medley	Don Wattenbarger	1st:	LTI
Winning time: 2:26.1	Bruce Conant	2nd:	LTI
	Joe Masi	3rd:	BSC
	Bill Thompson	4th:	BSC

One-meter diving	Dan Beauregard	1st:	BSC
Winning score: 154.65	Charles Stahley	2nd:	LTI
	Jerry Myer	3rd:	LTI
	Jay Doyle	4th:	BSC

200-yard butterfly:	Mel Crotty	1st:	BSC
Winning time: 2:19.9	Pete Czajkowski	2nd:	LTI
	Joe Masi	3rd:	BSC

100-yard freestyle:	Barry Parenteau	1st:	BSC
Winning time: :52.5	Mike Kotzen	2nd:	LTI
	Steve Cronholm	3rd:	LTI
	Mark Stroman	4th:	BSC

200-yard backstroke:	Bill Fletcher	1st:	BSC
Winning time: 2:24.9	Bruce Conant	2nd:	LTI
	John Sewell	3rd:	LTI

500-yard freestyle	Bob Johnston	1st:	BSC
Winning time: 5:41.5	Dave Goodrich	2nd:	LTI
	William Gregoire	3rd:	LTI

200-yard breaststroke:	Dana Brackett	1st:	BSC
Winning time: 2:35.4	Brian Hammar	2nd:	LTI
	Bill Thompson	3rd:	BSC
	Allen Vieira	4th:	LTI

One-meter diving (optional)	Dan Beauregard	1st:	BSC
Winning score: 229.55	Charles Stahley	2nd:	LTI
	Jay Doyle	3rd:	BSC
	Jerry Meyer	4th:	LTI

400-yard freestyle relay:	Czajkowski, Myers, Fyrer,		
Winning time: 3:51.5	Goodrich	1st:	LTI
	Stroman, Young, Brackett, Cotter	2nd:	BSC

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Hockey . . .



Bears Claw Assumption

by Bob Wisecarver

Last Saturday night Bridgewater's skating bears, fired up since their New Haven game, skated into Hokimock Arena in Pembroke at full tilt completely flabbergasting Assumption College of Worcester. In a brilliant display of scoring passing and various types of checking, the Bears banged home thirteen goals to an Assumption lone goal in the sixty minutes of the Bridgewater conquest. Jack Foley, freshman goaltender, put on another brilliant display in the nets as he held Assumption scoreless in the two periods he played. Stan Bonham replaced Foley in goal in the third period and he too did a commendable job. It all came to paint as each Bear played good hockey and the scoreboard showed it.

Bridgewater's goal scoring whiz, Jim McKean hit for two goals in the first period. He later got the gattrick. Peter Paspicchio also banged home two in the opening period. John Celani and Tom St. Thomas both hard working players collected a goal a peice in the first twenty minutes of the Bridgewater scoring feat. At the end of the first period, the Bears found themselves out of the woods leading 6-0. One of the key factors of the Bears win was that they were seldom in penalty trouble, something that plagued them in their first three games.

The second period was no different for Assumption as they were again persecuted with four more Bridgewater goals. It was Tom St. Thomas's second of the night that opened the scoring in the

in the middle period. Assistant Captain Bartlett and Captain McCarthy, each got into the scoring scene. Bartlett scored and less than a minute later it was Jim McCarthy flashing 1 on the red light. Freshmen defenseman Chuck Healey banged home his first goal as a Bear, blacking a shot taking it the length of the ice de king the defenseman and goaltender for the score. Mike Bartlett and Jim "Smacka" McCarthy must be cited for their hustle throughout the game.

The third period just added to the woes of Assumption, as John Celani of Bridgewater neatly scored the second of his two goals for the night. Later Jim McKean, flashed home his tenth goal of the season which was his gattrick but, Assumption would not be shut out as Pelletier later scored their lone goal. Bridgewater finished out the scoring though as Chuck Healey again scored, the second of his duo for the evening.

It was a complete team effort for the Bears with fine work from Mike Dunphy who was injured. Kevin Mahoney, Ken Ottarioano, Bill Norman, Bob Taylor, Joe Dexon, and Ernie Sanbarn. The Bears gave their all in a highly commendable effort. Their thirteen goals not only proved it but the determination and hustle of the club that made them click glittered over the ice.

Bridgewater's next hockey game is the 28th of December at Fitchburg. If you've got the time over vacation get up to Fitchburg and support them.

Basketball . . .

BSC Flu Epidemic Doesn't Hurt Bears

Sometimes that unexpected surprise becomes one of the most pleasant things to recall!

Well, one of the most pleasant surprises of the sports year here at BSC was delivered last Thursday evening up in the Witch City at Salem State. The surprise was not that the Bears beat Salem State 68-65 but how they beat the Vikings...oh and how it is a pleasant thing to recall.

With "Great BSC Flu Epidemic" tightening its stranglehold on Bridgewater students, several members of the basketball team were bed ridden the night of the Salem game. Coach Knudson, with a skeleton crew of eight men, travelled north wondering what effect the absence of Joe Wise (BSC's leading scorer) and Dan Aronie (BSC's new starting center and tallest man.) would have on his somewhat diluted squad. No matter how you look at it when a team is without the services of a talented high scoring performer like Joe Wise and a man who a man who you depend on to haul in the bulk of your rebounds like Dan Aronie...it's got to dim your hopes somewhat.

Salem State was no slouch, either. They were taller and had five fairly good shooters. So in view of So in view of the circumstances here was only one thing the Bears could do: Play well disciplined basketball and control the tempo of the game. BSC, a basketball team that always hustles, looked as well drilled and as well coached as any team could look. They played a persistent pin point passing game that payed off with a big victory.

There was no one hero for Bridgewater State in that game, there were five. Curt Caldwell, John McSherry, Rich Brennan, Mike Tikonoff and Matt Mende all played as one precision machine. If you wanted to award accolades to just one man you couldn't do it...it was a team effort!

After that stirring display of basketball the somewhat healthier Bears weren't anticipating too much trouble with the freshman-

laden Lowell State Indians. So last Saturday night over at Kelly the Bears with a 62 point eruption in the second half dispensed of Lowell 95-77. For a while in the first half the Bears did have a slight bit of trouble with the Indians. Lowell was playing tough defense led by the shooting of freshman forward Tom Benjamin, thus keeping pace with BSC.

But, as it usually does happen, BSC's Joe Wise exploded. Joe hit three hoops in a row to start a Bridgewater splurge continued by the hustling Richie Brennan and John McSherry enabling the Bears to build up a ten point lead at the half 33-23. Then came the second half and Bridgewater would totally dominate the game. Matt Mendes came in and began to spin the twines, eventually picking up 16 points for his night's efforts. John McSherry, the smallest man on the court, kept shocking Lowell with excellent moves to the basket, racking up 16 points. Under the boards, Dan Mendes and Mike Tikonoff with help from Brennan controlled the game and were adamant rebounders all night. With about nine minutes left in the game the Bears were ahead by 25 points so Coach Knudson called on his bench and they geld the fort as Bridgewater won their second straight game 95-76.

So with two good wins under their belts the Bears were now ready to take on the Fitchburg State Falcons. Tuesday night's game with Salem would be the last of the semester last until January 17. So the Bears, wishing to end their first semester of play on a winning note, need to chalk up their third straight win. While, they eventually did clip the wings of the low flying Falcons, they had quite a bit of difficulty before the evening was over.

The first half saw BSC soar ahead of the grounded birdmen as Joe Wise poured in 20 points in the first half. After the first half it appeared as though the Bears were going to get another early rest and let some of the youngsters on the bench get in there. At the half Bridgewater was up on Fitchburg by ten points, 36-26. But in a second half marred by sloppy

play and turn overs, all the Bears turned cold from outside. There was a slight stretch of time when it seemed that not even Joe Wise could buy a basket. Meanwhile down the other end the Bears foe from Fitchburg were turning red hot and slowly chopping down to size the Bridgeater bulge.

Probably because they like more exciting games, the Bears allowed Fitchburg to eventually catch up to them. At the 7:30 mark in the second half Coach Tom Knudson called a time out with the score Bridgewater 54 Fitchburg 51.

The regrouping of the ragged Bears seemed to have little effect on their play. They allowed Fitchburg to go ahead of them until Coach Knudson reinserted Joe Wise, who was taken out for a breather, into the line-up. Promptly the talented All-East guard connected twice...and thrice from 25 to 30 feet away. Well, that just about hammered home the nails into the coffin of Fitchburg State. The persistent and pesky Falcons fell apart after the long range accuracy display.

With under a minute left the Falcons, although a bit demoralized, were not about to say die. They hounded Bridgewater with a full court press and drew the foul to try to get the ball back...However this year the Bears are an experienced team with a lot of poise under pressure and they showed it. With the score 65-63 in BSC's favor, and nine seconds left Junior guard Mike Tikonoff was fouled. The junior forward from Cambridge hit on noth of his chances from the foul line to ice the game for the Bears. BSC stole the ball with two seconds left and in the process John McSherry was fouled...the Abington super sophomore sank one of his free throws to make the final score 68-63, win number four on the season for the Bears.

So now the campus is about to close up for vacation and the Bears will go into hibernation for a while. However, they'll continue to practice and hope to score their fourth straight win when they meet Worcester State at home on January 17th...it'll be a big game for the Bears!



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